

**RESOLUTION
OF THE
CITY OF MINNEAPOLIS**

Whereas, public and private security are critical to public safety.

Whereas, the Minnesota Private Security Partnership is committed to the highest standards in private security services.

Whereas, in order to successfully raise standards, there must be a level playing field among the contractors competing for business in the private security industry.

Whereas, the Minnesota Private Security Partnership has a goal to raise standards and ensure accountability to clients and the public by providing high standards for quality that are consistent market-wide.

Whereas, building tenants and the public rely on well-trained security officers for their safety in case of an emergency.

Whereas, the Minnesota Private Security Partnership is committed to ensuring that security officers receive the training they need to do their jobs and its security officers will undergo comprehensive training that thoroughly prepares them for emergency situations as well as their day-to-day duties.

Whereas, well-trained security officers who know their building and their tenants are at a premium, but unfortunately, the private security industry has a high rate of job turnover which compromises building safety and costs businesses money.

Whereas, the Minnesota Private Security Partnership will improve training, wages, and benefits, and therefore be able to lower the turnover rate and maintain a stable, professional, and experienced workforce capable of providing consistent, high quality protection.

Whereas, the Minnesota Private Security Partnership is committed to working together with public safety officials, elected leaders, businesses, and security experts throughout the Twin Cities metropolitan area to create a comprehensive, integrated approach to emergency response by initiating standard coordination procedures among building personnel and police, fire, and rescue teams.

Whereas, the leading private security companies in the Twin Cities metropolitan area—Securitas Security Services USA, American Security LLC, and Triangle Services (Viking Security)—and the Service Employees International Union (SEIU), which is the largest union of private security officers in the United States, have formed the Minnesota Private Security Partnership.

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved by the City Council of the City of Minneapolis:

That it supports the Minnesota Private Security Partnership and their goal of improving building safety in Minnesota and raising the standards of private security by lowering job turnover, improving training, and increasing professionalism among private security officers.

Be It Further Resolved that it calls on the building owners and property managers operating in the City of Minneapolis to lend their full, active, and immediate support to the Minnesota Private Security Partnership and work in cooperation with Securitas Security Services, American Security, Triangle Services (Viking Security), and SEIU in order to achieve the goals of the Partnership and improve building security throughout the Twin Cities metropolitan area.